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Washington, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF
GENERAL COUNSEL

Mr. Kevin Bogardus
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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request Number EPA-HQ-2016-003594

Dear Mr. Bogardus:

This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on January 4, 2016, in which you seek "all documents related to EPA employees' ethics waivers in resolving financial conflicts of interest from Jan.1 to Feb. 1, 2016." The Office of General Counsel has concluded its search for records and has found no documents responsive to your request. There is no cost to process your request.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response to the National Freedom of Information Officer, U.S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only), FAX: (202) 566-2147, e-mail: hq.foia@epa.gov. Only items mailed through the U.S Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 day calendar limit. The appeal letter should include the tracking number(s) listed above. For quickest possible handling, the appeal letter should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions concerning this response, please contact me at (202) 564-1786.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Justina Fugh", is positioned above the printed name.

Justina Fugh
Senior Counsel for Ethics